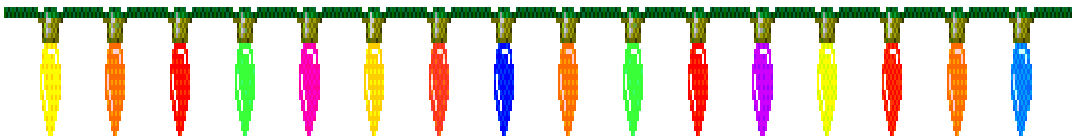
# Fire Prevention Information for the Holidays

**“MISSION FIRST, PEOPLE ALWAYS”**



# DECORATING SAFETY

## GENERAL

- Use only Laboratory tested lights (UL)
- Check each set before use (wires, sockets, bulbs, loose connections)
- Use no more than 3 light sets per extension cord
- Avoid sharp or breakable decorations around small kids
- Use lights rated for Outdoor use Outside
- Place candles where they won’t be knocked over
- Never leave children unattended around candles

# HOLIDAY FIRE SAFETY

## FIREPLACES

- Have chimneys inspected & cleaned
- Always use a fireplace screen or doors
- Don’t burn paper, waste or wrappings
- Don’t use flammable liquids, use proper starter
- Remove stockings or mantle decorations that may catch fire
- Have a fire extinguisher or water available
- Make sure the coals are completely

# HOLIDAY FIRE SAFETY

## CHRISTMAS TREES

- **Choose a fresh natural Christmas tree**
- **Use a secure stand and check water daily**
- **Choose a “Fire Resistant” artificial tree**
- **Place trees away from heat sources and exits**
- **Use only Non-Combustible or Flame Resistant tree trimmings**
- **Unplug the tree when away from it or going to bed**
- **Never use real candles on a tree**
- **Never use electric lights on a metal**

# HOLIDAY FIRE SAFETY

## COOKING

- When cooking, keep appliances clean (Grease Fires)
- Never leave cooking unattended
- Keep flammables away from the stove
- Never wear loose fitting sleeves around stove burners
- Heat oils slowly, have a lid ready for flash fires
- Don’t open the door on a microwave fire
- Have a fire extinguisher available in the Kitchen

# FIRE SAFETY FOR THE CHRISTMAS HOLIDAYS

## NATURAL TREES

- *SELECT ONLY FRESH TREES.*
- *KEEP YOUR TREE IN A WATER HOLDING STAND AND KEEP IT WET.*
- *PLACE THE TREE AND DECORATION AWAY FROM HEAT SOURCES.*

## ARTIFICIAL TREES

- *BUY ONLY TREES WITH A SAFETY LABEL (UL) APPROVED.*
- *KEEP A SAFE DISTANCE AWAY FROM ANY FLAMES AND HEAT SOURCES.*

## CANDLES

- *NEVER USE WAX CANDLES ON A TREE OR NEAR DECORATIOINS.*
- *KEEP CANDLES AWAY FROM CHRISTMAS WRAPPINGS.*
- *PLACE CANDLES WHERE THEY WON'T BE EASILY KNOCKED OVER.*
- *USE ONLY NONFLAMMABLE CANDLE HOLDERS.*

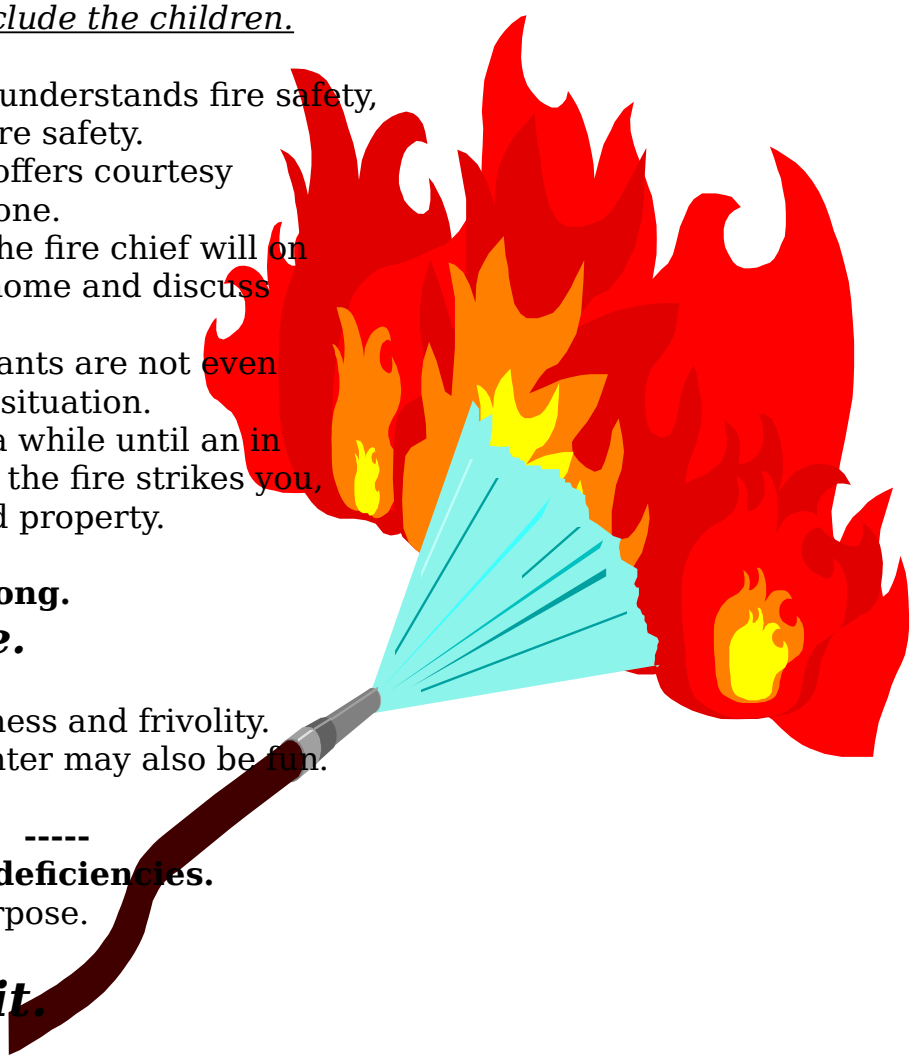
## LIGHTS

- *USE ONLY APPROVED LIGHTS.*
- *TURN OFF LIGHTS AND DÉCOR-ATIONS WHEN YOU LEAVE YOUR HOME OR WHEN YOU GO TO BED.*
- *KEEP KIDS AWAY FROM LIGHTS AND ELECTRICAL DECORATIONS.*

# Fire Prevention in Family Housing

We have rapid increase in family housing fires during Christmas Holidays
A number of families will lose their homes.
Even, if no major injuries of fatalities happen, new homes must be provided, and
of carelessness or negligence, individuals are held liable for the damage
******** **Let's do everything to prevent home fires.** *****

*Talk to your family, include the children.*



Make sure everybody understands fire safety,
everybody practices fire safety.
The Fire Department offers courtesy
inspections for your hone.
The fire inspector or the fire chief will on
request inspect your home and discuss
unsafe procedures.
In many cases, occupants are not even
aware of a dangerous situation.
Things go on for quit a while until an in
a unexpected moment the fire strikes you,
you lose you home and property.

**Don't wait that long.**
***Be proactive.***

Don't accept carelessness and frivolity.
Being a fire safety hunter may also be fun.
It's like a game.
**Detect deficiencies -----**
**correct deficiencies.**
And it's for a good purpose.

***Try it.***

**What ever we do to prevent housing fires it is worth it.**
**Again, make it a habit to prevent fires and don't tolerate unsafe**